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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of )  
ROBERT S. BLOCK ) Group Art Unit: 2602  
Application No.: 08/697,542 ) Examiner: Vivek Srivastava  
Filed: August 27, 1996 )  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
INFORMATION LABELING AND )  
CONTROL )

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 25, 1997, please amend the specification as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

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38. (Amended) In an information access system, a method for creating a local information label for use in controlling access to information which has associated therewith an information label related to the content of the information, the method comprising the steps of:

providing to a user a plurality of category labels each identified by a standardized description of a particular type of information content including at least one of violence, sex, and foul language;

prompting the user to input a value which is indicative of an amount of said information content into the information access system for each of the category labels; and

creating a local information label based upon each of the category labels in response to the input values.